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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from February 16, 2000 to September 16, 2000.

A five-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$1,850.00; and a check in the amount of \$1,850.00 is attached.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to

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Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 286002020023. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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